THE HONORABLE MICHELLE L. PETERSON 1 2 3 4 5 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 6 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE 7 POINTSTORY, LLC, a Washington limited Case No. 2:23-cv-01691-MLP liability company, 8 DEFENDANT'S MOTION IN 9 Plaintiff, LIMINE 10 v. 11 PROTALUS USA, LLC, a Delaware limited 12 liability company, 13 Defendant. 14

Defendant Protalus USA, LLC ("Protalus") moves the Court for an order regarding the admissibility of potentially proffered evidence as described below. This motion is supported by the pleadings and record on file with the Court and the points and authorities below.

MOTION 1

Protalus moves for an order prohibiting plaintiff PointStory, LLC ("PointStory") from presenting any expert witness testimony or any rebuttal to Protalus's expert witness testimony.

POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

A party must disclose to other parties the identity of any person who may be used at trial to present evidence under Rules 702, 703, or 705 of the Federal Rules of Evidence. FRCP 26(a)(2)(A). Disclosure of expert testimony is made at the times and in the sequence directed by the Court. Compliance with FRCP 26(a)(2) regarding identification of expert and submission of

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expert's report is a condition precedent to use of expert testimony at trial. *ABB Air Preheater, Inc. v. Regenerative Environmental Equipment Co., Inc.*, 167 F.R.D. 668 (D.N.J. 1996); *see also Exxon Corp. v. Halcon Shipping Co., Ltd.*, 156 F.R.D. 589, 30 Fed. R. Serv. 3d (LCP) 1135 (D.N.J. 1994) (finding the plaintiff was properly precluded from calling expert witness in liability stage of trial where it failed to designate expert until long after deadline for doing so had passed, in clear violation of court's scheduling order).

Here, the Court set February 17, 2025 as the deadline for reports of expert witnesses and February 28, 2025 as the deadline for rebuttal expert disclosures. PointStory has not served any expert witness disclosure in this case, and the deadlines for doing so have long passed. PointStory should therefore be precluded from introducing any expert witness testimony at trial.

DATED: April 18, 2025

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DECLARATION OF SERVICE 1 2 I hereby certify that I caused to be served a copy of the foregoing **DEFENDANT'S** 3 MOTIONS IN LIMINE on the following person(s) in the manner indicated below at the following address(es): 4 5 Nicholas W. Juhl 6 Lovik & Juhl, PLLC 936 N 34th Street, Suite 300 7 Seattle, WA 98103 njuhl@lovikandjul.com 8 Attorney for Plaintiff 9 by the following method(s) 10 by e-service / emailing a full, true and correct copy thereof to the parties at the email XX11 addresses shown above, which are the last-known email addresses of the parties, on the date set forth below. 12 by mailing a full, true and correct copy thereof in a sealed, first-class, postage pre-paid 13 envelope, addressed to the last-known address of the parties as shown above, and deposited with the United States Postal Service at Portland, Oregon, on the date set 14 forth below. 15 Dated: April 18, 2025 16 CHENOWETH LAW GROUP, PC 17 s/ Brian Martinez Brian Martinez, Paralegal 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26